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In Re Application of:

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Title: DUAL PURPOSE PRIMERS AND PROBES FOR PROVIDING ENHANCED
HYBRIDIZATION ASSAYS BY DISRUPTION OF SECONDARY STRUCTURE

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
FILED PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

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Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action mailed on May 3, 2007, please reconsider this application in view of the response set forth in this paper. As this paper is timely filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for response, no extension fee accompanies this paper. In order to reopen prosecution for this after-final matter, this filing is accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination (“RCE”) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (with the appropriate fee). As the finality of the Office Action under reply will be withdrawn upon entry of the RCE, this paper is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111. Also accompanying this filing is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims set forth on pages 2 to 6 of this paper.

REMARKS:

Applicants comments in support of this application are presented in the remarks set forth on pages 7 to 12 of this paper.